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Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20857-0003


RE: Docket No. 98N-1265

I send this letter to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999.

In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve our medical needs.

I have severe osteoporosis that has left me totally disabled. Unfortunately, I am allergic to the few patented medicines used to treat this painful disease. The specially compounded natural hormones (prescribed by my doctor), which I receive from the Women's International Pharmacy in Wisconsin, are my only hope for improvement. Please don't take away this option from me. Please amend the MOU. Thank you very much for your consideration of this matter.

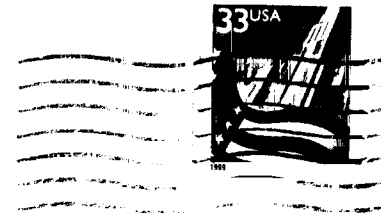
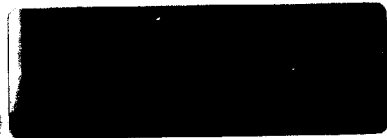
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